ABSTRACT

Network protocol for efficient distributed control. A packet used to implement an embodiment of the invention includes a routing control list, routing control data, and a data field. The routing control list identifies a node responsible for passing the packet. The routing control data identifies a first communication media to be used to pass the packet to the identified node and a second communication media to be used to pass the packet from the identified node. The data field contains electronic data being transmitted by the packet.

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